# **Re: FOIA Response Source Code**

From bkastning <br/> bkastning@protonmail.com>

To Hayes, LaTonya D.<lhayes@gpo.gov>

Date Thursday, December 2nd, 2021 at 7:14 AM

LaTonya Hayes,

Don't pretend to be doing me a favor with an inquiry regarding public information on the GPO site regarding the API. (This is irrelevant to my request/demand).

It's not lawful for Congress to exempt GPO (America's Primary Source Documents) from U.S. American Federal Public Records Disclosures. That's overt Treason AND with all OUR Constitutional Courts and Buildings Closed contrary to The Supreme Law of The Land under the guise of a Health Response is absurd! This entire database of GPO/GOVINFO belongs to The People of The United States of America, The Constitutional Republic FOR WHICH IT STANDS!

(THE PEOPLE) U.S. Const. Amend. X (September 17, 1787).

Under U.S. Federal Code:

#### 17 USC § 105:

https://www.govinfo.gov/app/details/USCODE-2010-title17/USCODE-2010-title17-chap1-sec105

#### 17 USC § 403:

https://www.govinfo.gov/app/details/USCODE-2010-title17/USCODE-2010-title17-chap4-sec403

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Send this up the chain to your Supervisors or directly to a Member of Current Incumbent U.S. Federal Congress (Non-FOIA | Under Supreme Law of The Land)! Especially since GPO's General Counsel conveniently sits directly under U.S. Federal Congress and conveniently exempted GPO from FOIA illegally and conveniently won't release bulk files Pre 9/11/2001 (if that in some collections).

This response is unacceptable. U.S. Const. Amend. I (September 17, 1787) "Congress shall make no law..." this has been violated overtly in every Free State in OUR Constitutional Republic, Union of Free States of The United States of America! 3 years and counting...

U.S. Const. Art. VI., Clause 2, 3 (September 17,1787) is explicit in anything contrary to "THIS CONSTITUTION" is notwithstanding to Officers (Like yourself) or Members of Congress; binding U.S. Justices of The Peace and Federal Magistrates alike in Constitutional American Courts.

U.S. Const. Art. XIV. - Due Process of Law and Equal Protection

Just these 3 would require GPO to release the source code and database in full to the American Public. API requires someone to pay money to hire computer programmers to remotely pull the database which doesn't even guarantee a complete mirror of the database as it stands today.

The bulk data files are not even remotely close to good enough for The American People and insufficient to my request/demand.

Thank you for your response; however this will not cut it. Please make a better effort to get results for The American People!

Best Regards, God Bless,

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(Constitutional Law Study Shared, Public Petitions for Government Redress, Public Disclosure Records Generated and Shared, Sharing my American Disability and Poverty Oppression while watching OUR Country get taken from within to a foreign government.). - #DisabledJesusBeliever vs #Tyranny | #WETHEPEOPLE #AMERICANDEFENSE #CONSTITUTIONALLAWSTUDENT

# The United States of America, The Republic:

S.J.Res.165 - A joint resolution authorizing and requesting the President to proclaim 1983 as the "Year of the Bible". 97th Congress (1981-1982)

10/04/1982 Became <u>Public Law No: 97-280</u>. 10/04/1982 Signed by: **President Ronald Reagan (40th President).** 10/04/1982 Became <u>Public Law No. 97-280</u>.

LORD Jesus Christ of Nazareth; Please Protect Your Remnant within The United States of America, The Constitutional Republic. May you Heal OUR LAND Father God and LET OUR PEOPLE GO!; In JESUS CHRIST'S MIGHTY NAME I PRAY, AMEN!

"If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land." - 2 Chronicles 7:14 (KJV).

"Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD; and the people whom he hath chosen for his own inheritance." - Psalm 33:12 (K|V)

"Even so then at this present time also there is a remnant according to the election of grace." - Romans 11:5 (KJV) <a href="https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Romans-11-5/">https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Romans-11-5/</a> (Full context and Holy Scriptural Source Check).

#### **Hierarchy of Legal Authorities:**

Pledge of allegiance to the flag; manner of delivery - 4 U.S.C. 4

Pub. L. 107-293, §1, Nov. 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 2057, provided that: "Congress finds the following:

"(1) On November 11, 1620, prior to embarking for the shores of America, the Pilgrims signed the Mayflower Compact that declared: 'Having undertaken, for the Glory of God and the advancement of the Christian Faith and honor of our King and country, a voyage to plant the first colony in the northern parts of Virginia,'.

### "(2) On July 4, 1776, America's Founding

Fathers, after appealing to the 'Laws of Nature, and of Nature's God' to justify their separation from Great Britain, then declared: 'We hold these Truths to be self-evident, that all Men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness'.

"(3) In 1781, Thomas Jefferson, the author of the Declaration of Independence and later the Nation's third President, in his work titled 'Notes on the State of Virginia' wrote: 'God who gave us life gave us liberty. And can the liberties of a nation be thought secure when we have removed their only firm basis, a conviction in the minds of the people that these liberties are of the Gift of God. That they are not to be violated but with His wrath? Indeed, I tremble for my country when I reflect that God is just; that his justice cannot sleep forever.'

State of Washington; Free Member State of The Constitutional Republic, OUR United States of America, Union of Free Member States, Guaranteed and Protected Individual and Natural Born God-given, Re-Affirmed in OUR Constitution(s), Case Law, Case Law Re-Affirmed and ALL Americans and ALL American Government's bound to Supreme Constitutional Law and Statutes, Policies, Treatise being in

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Congruent with The U.S. Federal Constitution, 50 Free State Constitution's within OUR Union of Free Member States and 5 Inhabited Free Territories therein:

The Preamble (Preamble to "THIS CONSTITUTION" of September 17, 1787 per U.S. Const. Art. VI. Clause, 1, 2, and 3 [September 17, 1787]; anything to the contrary, Officers, Justices, notwithstanding).

"We the People of the United

States, in Order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defence, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America."

PREAMBLE (PREAMBLE to THE Constitution of The State of Washington, Mandatory, per Art. I., § 29 [November 11, 1889]).

"We,

the people of the State of Washington, grateful to the Supreme Ruler of the universe for our liberties, do ordain this constitution." - (November 11, 1889)

"This Constitution, and the laws of the United States which shall be made in pursuance thereof; and all treaties made, or which shall be made, under the authority of the United States, shall be the supreme law of the land; and the judges in every state shall be bound thereby; anything in the Constitution or laws of any State to the contrary notwithstanding." (U.S. Const. Art. VI.), Clause. 2. (September 17, 1787).

**Source:** <a href="https://constitution.congress.gov/browse/article-6/clause-2/">https://constitution.congress.gov/browse/article-6/clause-2/</a>

"The Senators and Representatives before mentioned, and the members of the several state legislatures, and all executive and judicial officers, both of the United States and of the several states, shall be bound by oath or affirmation, to support this Constitution; but no religious test shall ever be required as a qualification to any office or public trust under the United States." - (U.S. Const. Art. VI.), Clause. 3. (September 17, 1787).

Source: https://constitution.congress.gov/browse/article-6/clause-3/

"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances." - U.S. Const. Amend. I. (September 17, 1787).

Source: <a href="https://constitution.congress.gov/constitution/">https://constitution.congress.gov/constitution/</a>

"The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated, and no Warrants shall issue, but upon probable cause, supported by Oath or affirmation, and particularly describing the place to be searched, and the persons or things to be seized." - U.S. Const. Amend. IV. (September 17, 1787).

Source: https://constitution.congress.gov/constitution/

"The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people." - U.S. Const. Amend. X. (September 17, 1787).

Source: https://constitution.congress.gov/constitution/

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"All persons born or naturalized in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and of the State wherein they reside. No State shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States; nor shall any State deprive any person of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws." - U.S. Const. Amend. XIV., §1 (July 9, 1868).

**Source:** <a href="https://constitution.congress.gov/constitution/">https://constitution.congress.gov/constitution/</a>

"The Constitution of the United States is the supreme law of the land." - Wash. Const. Art. I., § 2 (November 11, 1889).

**Source:** <a href="http://leg.wa.gov/CodeReviser/Pages/WAConstitution.aspx">http://leg.wa.gov/CodeReviser/Pages/WAConstitution.aspx</a>

"The right of petition and of the people peaceably to assemble for the common good shall never be abridged." - Wash. Const. Art. I., § 4 (November 11, 1889).

"No person shall be disturbed in his private affairs, or his home invaded, without authority of law." - Wash. Const. Art. I., § 7 (November 11, 1889).

Source: <a href="http://leg.wa.gov/CodeReviser/Pages/WAConstitution.aspx">http://leg.wa.gov/CodeReviser/Pages/WAConstitution.aspx</a>

"The provisions of this Constitution are mandatory, unless by express words they are declared to be otherwise." - Wash. Const. Art. I., § 29 (November 11, 1889).

**Source:** <a href="http://leg.wa.gov/CodeReviser/Pages/WAConstitution.aspx">http://leg.wa.gov/CodeReviser/Pages/WAConstitution.aspx</a>

"The enumeration in this Constitution of certain rights shall not be construed to deny others retained by the people." - Wash. Const. Art. I., § 30 (November 11, 1889).

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----- Original Message ------

On Thursday, December 2nd, 2021 at 6:31 AM, Hayes, LaTonya D. <lhayes@gpo.gov> wrote:

Hello,

The GPO has received your FOIA request for the database and source code to the GPO website.

The provisions of FOIA are included within the Administrative Procedure Act, 5 U.S.C. §§ 551-559. While both acts are applicable to Federal agencies of the United States, in defining "agency," Congress specifically excluded the legislative and judicial branches. The U.S. Government Publishing Office (GPO), which is an office of the legislative branch of the Federal Government, is therefore not subject to the provisions of FOIA.

Although GPO is not legally required to provide the information you requested, as a courtesy to you, I made inquiries about the availability of that information. GPO has previously provided you with the following response, which is the information that is responsive to your request:

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Thank you for contacting U.S. Government Publishing Office.

The govinfo API provides data users with a means of programmatically accessing govinfo content and metadata. Information about the govinfo API can be found on govinfo (<a href="https://api.govinfo.gov/docs/">https://api.govinfo.gov/docs/</a>) and in GPO's GitHub repository (<a href="https://github.com/usgpo/api">https://github.com/usgpo/api</a>).

The API requires an API.data.gov key. You can sign up for an API key here: <a href="https://api.data.gov/signup/">https://api.data.gov/signup/</a> "

I hope this information is of assistance to you.

Respectfully,

/LDH/

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